

34. (New) The method as claimed in claim 27, wherein the at least one plastic structure is formed by two-injection molding.

35. (New) The method as claimed in claim 27, whereby the at least one plastic structure is formed by air molding.

36. (New) An element for assembling a shelf in a unit, the element configured to be fixed by clipping to the shelf, and having first, second, and third parts, the first and second parts configured to be fixed following two different directions and the third part configured to border the shelf in a third direction or to form a runner.

37. (New) A refrigerator comprising at least one shelf as claimed in claim 18.

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#### ABSTRACT

A shelf, particularly for a refrigerator or the like, including at least one panel and at least one attached plastic structure. The shelf is obtained by shrinking the structure after assembling the panel and the structure. The attached plastic structure can mate and/or exert lateral pressure on the edge of the panel.

#### REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.